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10 a.m. 4886th meeting Security Council Chamber

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General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

3 p.m. 75th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council: draft resolution (A/58/L.36) [12]
2. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [17]
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   - (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/562)
   - (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/563)
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   - (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/565)
   - (f) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women
3. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security [34]

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4. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/58/L.47) [40]

   (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: draft resolution (A/58/L.39)

   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolutions (A/58/L.31/Rev.1, A/58/L.40, A/58/L.41, A/58/L.42, A/58/L.45 and A/58/L.46)

   (c) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster: draft resolution (A/58/L.44)

   (d) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development: draft resolution (A/58/L.43)

   (e) Assistance to the Palestinian people: draft resolution (A/58/L.33/Rev.1)

5. Follow-up to the United Nations Year for Cultural Heritage: draft resolution (A/58/L.11/Rev.2) [42]

6. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development [45]

7. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields: draft decision (A/58/L.29) [50]

8. Report of the Credentials Committee [3 (b)]

   (a) Report of the Credentials Committee (A/58/625)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/58/L.48)

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on items 131 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/58/269, A/58/366, A/58/367, A/58/368, A/58/550, A/58/597, A/58/554 and A/58/605)); 132 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/58/226, A/58/368, A/58/288, A/58/593, A/58/449 and A/58/605)); 124 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/58/11, A/58/63, A/56/767 and A/58/189)); 133 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (A/58/157)); 122 (Programme planning (A/58/16, A/58/83, A/58/84, A/58/90, A/C.5/58/11, A/C.5/58/14, A/C.5/58/15, A/C.5/58/19 and A/C.5/58/21)); 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: statements on programme budget

implications (A/C.5/58/17, A/58/7/Add.14, A/C.5/58/18, A/58/7/Add.13, A/C.5/58/22, A/58/7/Add.16, A/C.5/58/24, A/58/7/Add.20, A/C.5/58/25, A/58/7/Add.21, A/C.5/58/26, A/58/7/Add.22, A/C.5/58/28, A/58/7/Add.23, A/C.5/58/29, A/58/7/Add.24, A/C.5/58/30, A/58/7/Add.25, A/C.5/58/31, A/58/7/Add.26, A/C.5/58/32 and A/58/7/Add.27)); 125 (Pattern of conferences (A/58/32, A/58/194/Corr.1, A/58/194/Corr.2, A/58/213, A/57/783, A/57/809, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.1)); and all outstanding issues

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: consideration of a draft resolution)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Utilization of the provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs
2. Board of Auditors: Audit assignments
3. Contingency Fund

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Resumed 2003 session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 32nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Consideration of special reports (E/C.2/2002/3/Add.1, E/C.2/2003/3 and E/C.2/2003/Add.2) . . . . . [8]

3–6 p.m. 33rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304 (E/C.2/2003/R.2/Add.14) . . . . . [6]
2. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network . . . . . [9]
3. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2003/CRP.9) . . . . . [4]
4. Implementation of Council decision 2001/295 (E/C.2/2003/CRP.10) . . . . . [7]

Other meetings

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide in Rwanda" (agenda item 39 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mozambique)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

African Group *(experts of the Third Committee)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ethiopia)

2–6 p.m. Closed meeting To be announced

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 17 December 2003

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 18 December 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5. The Committee will also hold its 29th meeting at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2003

Informal consultations

The President of the Economic and Social Council, Mr. Gert Rosenthal (Guatemala), will convene informal consultations on Friday, 19 December 2003, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi and on the following outstanding issues:

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B (E/2003/90 and E/2003/90/Add.1) [8]

Economic and environmental questions [13]

(a) Sustainable development (E/2002/29, E/2003/33 and E/2003/L.43)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy (chapter IV)

Status of NGO's and other major groups accredited to the World Summit on Sustainable Development

Bureau of the Commission on Sustainable Development

(c) Statistics (E/2003/24)

(i) United Nations Forum on Forests (E/2003/42)

Resumed organizational session

The Economic and Social Council will hold its 52nd meeting on Friday, 19 December 2003, in the morning[1], in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to hear a briefing on the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi and to take action on all outstanding matters.

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the informal consultations of the Council.

Commission for Social Development

Forty-second session

The forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development will be held from 4 to 13 February 2004 in Conference Room 2. The first meeting will take place on Wednesday, 4 February, at 10 a.m. The provisional annotated agenda and the organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.5/2004/1 and E/CN.5/2004/L.1, respectively.

Background information for the forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development is available for pick-up outside room DC2-1320. Further information: www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2004.htm.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultation

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold its pre-session informal consultation on all matters before the first regular session 2004 on Monday, 12 January 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

First regular session 2004

The first regular session 2004 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 27 January, to Friday, 30 January 2004, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2004/L.1. Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but not later than 20 January 2004.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 23 and Monday, 27 January 2004, in Conference Room 2. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Friday, 23 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2004.

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 3 December 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Preparations for the forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (1-12 March 2004), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following thematic issues that will be taken up by the Commission: (a) Women's equal participation in conflict prevention, management and conflict resolution and in post-conflict peace building; and (b) The role of men and boys in achieving gender equality. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1246; and/or email zakharova@un.org), no later than 9 January 2004, indicating the panel for which the experts(s) is (are) being nominated.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 16 December 2003

Security Council

4883rd meeting *The situation between Iraq and Kuwait*

Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 24 of resolution 1483 (2003) and paragraph 12 of resolution 1511 (2003) (S/2003/1149)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited His Excellency Mr. Hoshyar Zebari, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Secretary-General.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Mr. Hoshyar Zebari, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq.

4884th meeting (closed) *The situation between Iraq and Kuwait*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4884th meeting, held in private on 16 December 2003, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'The situation between Iraq and Kuwait'.

"In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq, His Excellency Mr. Hoshyar Zebari.

"The members of the Security Council and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq had a constructive exchange of views."

4885th meeting *The situation in Somalia*

Letter dated 4 November 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/1035)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2003/1177, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/2003/1177).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2003/1177) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1519 (2003).

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

40th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [91]

(a) International trade and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 91, sub-item (a).

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.32 and A/C.2/58/L.80

The Chairman, on behalf of the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Mr. Henri Raubenheimer (South Africa), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.80.

The representative of Switzerland orally corrected the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Egypt.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.80, as orally corrected.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L. 80, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.32 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a).

(d) International financial system and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 91, sub-item (d).

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.17 and A/C.2/58/L.81

The Chairman, on behalf of the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Mr. Henri Raubenheimer (South Africa), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.81.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.81.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.81, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.17 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (d).

(e) External debt crisis and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 91, sub-item (e).

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.18 and A/C.2/58/L.82

The Chairman, on behalf of the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Mr. Henri Raubenheimer (South Africa), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.82.

The representative of Morocco orally corrected the draft resolutions.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.82, as orally corrected.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) after the adoption.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.82, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.18 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c).

Environment and sustainable development [94]

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 94, sub-item (c).

*Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.11 and A/C.2/58/L.61***

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.61**.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.61**.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.61**, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.11 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c).

(d) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/58/567 and A58/567/Corr.1)

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 94, sub-item (d).

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.30 and A/C.2/58/L.79 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/58/L.50)

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.79.

The Committee was reminded that document A/C.2/58/L.50 contained a statement of programme budget implications on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.30.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.79.

After the adoption, the representatives of the United States and Mauritius made statements.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.79, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.30 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 94 (d) and the item as a whole.

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly [101]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.31 and A/C.2/58/L.64**

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.64*.

The representative of Canada orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.64*, as orally corrected.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.64*, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.31 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 101.

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development [104]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.39, A/C.2/58/L.40 and A/C.2/58/L.83

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Mr. Henri Raubenheimer (South Africa), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.83.

The Secretary of the Committee read out an oral statement of programme budget implications on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.83.

The representatives of Cameroon, the United States and the Russian Federation orally corrected the draft resolution.

The representative of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) orally amended the draft resolutions.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.83, as orally corrected and amended.

In light of the adoption of the future draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.83, draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.39 and A/C.2/58/L.40 were withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 104.

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 12.

Action on draft decision A/C.2/58/L.54/Rev.1

The Secretary of the Committee orally corrected the draft provisional programme of work of the Second Committee for 2004, contained in document A/C.2/57/L.54/Rev.1.

The Committee was informed that a recorded vote had been requested.

The Committee adopted draft decision contained in A/C.2/58/L.54/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 146 to 3, with 1 abstention.

Statements were made on explanation of vote after the vote by the representatives of the United States, Italy (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries — Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, as well as Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein), the Russian Federation, Australia, Mexico, Canada, Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Republic of Korea and Benin.

The representative of Peru called the attention of the Committee to a translation in the Spanish version of the text.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 12.

Conclusion of the main part of the work of the Second Committee for the fifty-eighth session

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union), the United States and Canada.

The Chairman declared suspended the work of the Second Committee for the fifty-eighth session.

Fifth Committee

28th meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 [121]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/58/1/L.1/Rev.1: Illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects (A/C.5/58/17 and A/58/7/Add.14)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.18: Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the strengthening of the Role of the Organization (A/C.5/58/18 and A/58/7/Add.13)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/58/L.19: Oceans and the Law of the Sea (A/C.5/58/22 and A/58/7/Add.16)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.5/58/24: Future operations of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/58/24 and A/58/7/Add.20)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.78: Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of persons with Disabilities (A/C.5/58/25 and A/58/7/Add.21)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.68/Rev.1: Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/58/26 and A/58/7/Add.22)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.28: Office of the Special Representative for Children in Armed Conflict (A/C.5/58/28 and A/58/7/Add.23)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/58/L.30: United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (A/C.5/58/29 and A/58/7/Add.24)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/58/L.38: The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/58/30 and A/58/7/Add.25)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.7/Rev.1: Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa (A/C.5/58/31 and A/58/7/Add.26)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.14/Rev.1: Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/C.5/58/32 and A/58/7/Add.27)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the statements on programme budget implications (A/C.5/58/17, A/C.5/58/18, A/C.5/58/22, A/C.5/58/24, A/C.5/58/25, A/C.5/58/26, A/C.5/58/28, A/C.5/58/29, A/C.5/58/30, A/C.5/58/31 and A/C.5/58/32).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/58/7/Add.14, A/58/7/Add.13,

A/58/7/Add.16, AA/58/7/Add.20, A/58/7/Add.21, A/58/7/Add.22, A/58/7/Add.23, A/58/7/Add.24, A/58/7/Add.25, A/58/7/Add.26 and A/58/7/Add.27).

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group off 77 and China), Uganda, Mexico, Cuba, Gabon and the United States.

Revised estimates under sections 2 and 29D: conference and support services extended to the Counter-Terrorism Committee in the implementation of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) (A/C.5/58/23 and A/58/7/Add.17)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the report on the revised estimates under sections 2 and 29D (A/C.5/58/23).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/58/7/Add.17).

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the United States.

The Director of the Programme Planning Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these questions.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these questions would begin on that day, Tuesday, 16 December, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Ms. Felicity Buchanan (New Zealand).

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba and Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Chairman also made a statement.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Resumed 2003 session

30th meeting

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [3 (b)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of France, India, Pakistan, Germany, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Cuba, Turkey, the Russian Federation, Zimbabwe, Colombia, the Sudan and Senegal, as well as by the observer for Algeria.

31st meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the previous session of the Committee [3 (a)]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of the United States, Pakistan, Colombia, Germany, the Sudan, Chile, Cuba, China, Senegal and India, as well as by the observer for Algeria.

The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations responded to questions raised by members of the Committee: World Vision Canada and Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. New York, 21 November 1947

Accession: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Accession: Albania (15 December 2003)[1]

Annex I - International Labour Organisation (ILO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. San Francisco, 10 July 1948

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Second revised text of Annex II - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Rome, 8 December 1965

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Application: Albania (15 December 2003)[1]

Annex III - International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Geneva, 21 June 1948

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Annex IV - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Paris, 7 February 1949

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Annex V - International Monetary Fund (IMF) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Washington, 11 April 1949

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Application: Albania (15 December 2003)[1]

Annex VI - International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Washington, 19 April 1949

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Application: Albania (15 December 2003)[1]

Third revised text of Annex VII - World Health Organization (WHO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Minneapolis, 17 July 1958

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Application: Albania (15 December 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Annex VIII - Universal Postal Union (UPU) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Geneva, 25 May 1949

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Annex IX - International Telecommunication Union (ITU) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Geneva, 6 October 1950

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Annex XI - World Meteorological Organization (WMO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. Paris, 17 April 1951

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

Second Revised text of Annex XII - International Maritime Organization (IMO) - to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. London, 22 November 2001

Application: United Arab Emirates (11 December 2003)[1]

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